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For: PROCESS FOR PREPARING PURE CEPHALOSPORINE INTERMEDIATES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated July 1, 2008, up to and including January 1, 2009, for the purpose of permitting the timely filing of the enclosed Amendment Response

Authorization to charge the fee of \$555.00 for the three-month extension of time for a small entity, and/or any additional fees associated with this Petition For Extension of Time is granted in the Fee Transmittal Form being filed concurrently herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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December 31, 2008

Please charge or credit our Account No. 03-0075 as necessary to effect entry and/or ensure consideration of this submission.

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